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CATHOLICS ARE DEFEATED.

Buffalo, N. Y. Injects the Great Issue into the Campaign and the Romanists Lose.

Buffalo, N. Y.—Menace Special.

Buffalo has just given the perniciously active local hierarchy a body blow that the latter will not soon forget, which proves that the people of this city have not forgotten the performances of the black-frocked contingent that, through its puppets, Aldermen Sullivan, Burley, Schifferhans and other Catholic agents in the common council, defeated the free university movement in this city last winter, so as to keep the business in their own recently erected Catholic Canisius College.

In the campaign just closed, the Jesuits had their faithful henchmen and prize ink and mud slinger, Roland Blennerhassett Mahany, working over time to elect their candidate, but there was nothing doing this time. The people—respectable thinking Catholics and Protestants—are beginning to take notice and anything that the old Father "Bulleens" of Buffalo get hereafter will not be easy money.

The local hierarchy focused all its force against the department of education, which is always of necessity, everywhere and at all times, its most implacable enemy, and lost. It also made a herculean grab at the juvenile court, of which its followers are the feeders, and whose present official list reeks with Catholics from the greatest to the smallest of its subordinates, but, thanks to the overwork of the zealous clerical house to house vote canvassers, failed. Justice Simon Nash, who it must be acknowledged, despite his religion, had impartially served the people, was defeated because of his priest brother's zealous work, which should be a lesson to the "faithful" not to monkey too seriously with the business end of American independence.

Postmaster Fred Greiner, de facto republican boss of Erie County, declared the last week of the campaign that never before in the history of the county had religion entered so largely into politics.

ROMAN CATHOLIC PARTY

Dispatch From Washington Indicates Early Formation of a Roman Political Organization.

Special to The Menace.

Washington, D. C., Nov. 20, 1911.—The entry into politics of the head of the Roman Catholic church in the United States, immediately followed by two or more of his Archbishops, with sledge hammer blows by all of them against the People's Rule measures that are being advocated by the Progressive factions in both parties is causing intense excitement. For months a campaign for the control of the two leading parties has been in operation, that will lead up to the primaries of 1912, to be followed by a campaign between the parties, and now a new factor and a big one has arisen.

Everyone realizes that a Roman Catholic political party is forming, open and above board. Archbishop Farley's public commendation of the Cardinal's activity in politics, set forth in his prepared address at the laying of the cornerstone at Gibbons Memorial Hall of the Catholic University to the assembled church officials, is proof that the whole thing is the result of a carefully matured plan.

How will it be met by the Progressives?

They must face the opposition. It has actually arisen and stands squarely across their path. From now on the movement to re-establish the People's Rule in this country is to be opposed by the Roman Catholic Rulers, the chief of whom are in Europe and whose representatives have been cast out of the Civil Governments in Italy, France and nearly all of the European countries, and they have not been able to defeat Madero's election in Mexico.

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WASHINGTON CORRESPONDENT

Catholic Appointment Offend Democracy and Outrage Public Sentiment.

When our Mr. Mann was in Washington the last time making inquiries in regard to the appointment in the juvenile court and its attack on something came to his notice in regard to the man Dillon appointed to the place made vacant by the discharge of Rev. Copp. Not having time then to investigate the rumors it was left for some future time and as it turns out the most of the charges have been proven and are now given to the public.

Washington, D. C., Oct. 4, 1911.

Editor Menace: It was reported that the man Dillon had been arrested for being disorderly on the streets and an investigation disclosed the fact that he was arrested by Officer Groll and the charge of disorderly conduct placed against him at the First Precinct Station at 5:30 p. m., December 24, 1907, this while he was an officer of the juvenile court. It had been given out that while on his annual leave the last of August and first of September this year that he was employed as a bartender at one of the hotels of this city, and an investigation found this also to be a fact.

There were also charges filed with Judge De Lacey against this man Dillon of immoral conduct with colored women here and also of being short in his accounts of support money paid into the court for the support of women and children, and this before his appointment, yet the general public has heard nothing of it—it probably got lost "in the shuffle" made to cover the names of the men accused of mistreating the young girls.

If people with such a record are to be appointed to secure co-operation of the court, it does not appear to commend the court to public confidence or indicate that fair and kind and evenhanded, sympathetic justice that ought to be measured out to delinquents, often sinned against more than slandering, is to be administered in the juvenile court.

The charge of Catholic bias seems now to be justified by the facts. Judge De Lacey has had appointed a man with a doubtful record in place of a Christian gentleman and friend of the unfortunate. Has the hierarchy in Washington had its way in this matter and overruled public sentiment and the best interest of the juvenile court? If so, it is to be greatly regretted, and means should be found to correct this national disgrace.

W. P. MANN.

The Menace adds a paragraph to Mr. Mann's letter, taken from a correspondent's communication in the Washington Times, of November 6th, 1911, which confirms Mr. Mann's belief that the juvenile court is being purposely Romanized in the interest of the Catholic church, rather than in the interest of the unfortunate delinquents. Mr. A. J. Green says: "Mr. Murphy charges me with saying that Judge De Lacey is accused of bigotry for appointing Mr. Dillon chief probation officer. O, Mr. Murphy, Mr. Green did not say that, surely Mr. Murphy belongs to the Aloysius Truth Society." Mr. Green said, "Judge De Lacey is ridding himself of Protestants and Romanizing the whole juvenile court—Judge, clerk, chief probation officer and all—showed bigotry," and thousands agree with Mr. Green.

A PECULIAR DECISION.

Judge Grants Priest Appeal On Pretext That Shows Absolute Bias.

Rochester, N. Y., Nov. 11.—A decision has been handed down by the Appellate Division at Rochester granting the appeal of Rev. Theophilus Semelka from a verdict of \$2,000 damages awarded Anna Kowalska in County Court last June and ordering a new trial. The fatal error, in the opinion of the Appellate Division, was the production in court, at the trial, of a baby boy which Anna testified belonged jointly to her and Father Semelka. Because a glimpse at the baby may have unduly influenced the jury a new trial is ordered. It is only fair to Father Semelka to say that he indignantly denies the woman's claims and most of her testimony.

The suit was begun in October, 1909, Anna alleging that she went to work for Father Semelka in the parish house of St. John's Roman Catholic church, in Brownell street, some time previous to July 23, 1908, which she fixes as the date of her disgrace. The trial was begun before Judge Taylor in County Court on June 7, 1910, and on the morning of June 10 the jury returned with a verdict for \$2,000 damages to the plaintiff, the full amount demanded.

Anna testified, among many other things, that Father Semelka promised to get her a husband and to pay her \$10,000 and that her plight was nothing uncommon or unexpected in America. A husband was found, Anna says by the priest, he says it was Anna's own arrangement, and things went smoothly, according to Anna's story until the arrival of the baby on July 29, 1909, when her husband felt crowded, sold the furniture and left.

Anna testified that she then appealed to Father Semelka for help.

taking the baby in her arms to him. "Put the kid in an institution and go to work," Anna alleges he told her. Then she lashed up an attorney and the suit followed. Those who saw the baby say it clearly belongs to the same race as its parents, whoever the father may be.

A CATHOLIC PRESIDENT, NIT.

The Roanoke, Virginia, Times makes this statement: "We would support gladly a Roman Catholic candidate for president, if he was the right kind of a man."

If that be true, the Roanoke Times is ahead of its day. For there are many American citizens who would not vote for George Washington if he were living today and were a Catholic. They would not vote for Chief Justice White, notwithstanding his supreme ability, his unblemished integrity, and his great experience in public affairs.

What helped to prevent the nomination for president of General Sherman? The fact that he was or ought to have been a Catholic, that he had a Catholic wife and a Catholic family. What defeated the hope of Hon. Richard Bland to be his party's candidate? The fact that he had a Catholic wife and family.

But bigotry is dying out, ignorance is being enlightened, and Catholics are getting to be better known and more highly respected. Within this century a Catholic may be elected president of the United States to stem the rising tide of Socialism and to save American institutions from perishing from off the face of the earth.—The Catholic Columbian.

The Catholic Columbian thinks the above statement of the Roanoke Times is something out of the

ordinary—and it would be if The Times man was a Protestant, but he isn't, he's a Jesuit, or at least he talks like it.

"There are many citizens who would not vote for George Washington if he were living today and were a Catholic," says the Columbian. Of course they wouldn't. In the first place men like George Washington are not Catholics. The principles which make up a man like George Washington was, are not found in the make-up of a Catholic—they will no more harmonize than will oil and water. And for this reason, if for no other, none but Catholics want a Catholic president.

The editor of the Columbian sheds a host load of crocodile tears over the fate of Gen. Sherman and Dick Bland, regretting the defeat of their ambitions for the reason, only, that they had Catholic inclinations. And what more reason would any one need? A man who swears allegiance to the pope of Rome is no more qualified to hold an office of trust in the American republic than are the "direct action" anarchists of foreign birth.

It is proverbial of old that you cannot serve two masters, and that's what a Catholic office holder would be attempting. It's a great "gag" the Catholics have sprung within the last few years of clamoring for a Catholic president in order that the country may be saved from Socialism.

Ye Gods!
—And who, then, will save us from Catholicism?

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LAPOLLETTE IS MUM.

For the past several months with seemingly prearranged regularity, The Menace has been receiving, from all parts of the country, inquiries as to the religious faith of United States Senator Robert M. LaFollette. Whether the inquiries in this regard are directed to LaFollette more than any one else at the present time for the reason that he looms large upon the political horizon, or whether it is because his religious affiliations are, to the outside world, more or less shrouded in mystery, is difficult to decide, yet the fact remains that he is the object of the majority of such inquiries coming to this office.

Usually The Menace answers such questions as these by private correspondence, but in this case the task is too much, and, besides, we have nothing definite to offer the curious. Failing to find this information in the public records we wrote Mr. LaFollette direct. Following is a copy of our letter:

Aurora, Missouri, Oct. 9, 1911.
Hon. Robert M. LaFollette.
Honorable Sir:—By way of explanation, let us say to you that The Menace, while only just six months old, has acquired a national circulation and its constituency is composed of people who are close political and religious observers. We have had numerous letters asking us if you were a Roman Catholic, and the inquiries continue, but so far we have been unable to make definite answers for the reason that we were not in possession of the facts. Considering your position in public life, we take it that your religious affiliations, if any, are not secret, therefore we would consider it a favor if you would enlighten us on this point in order that we, in turn, may be able to enlighten those who appear interested.

Trusting that we may receive a reply, at your convenience, we are,
Yours sincerely,
THE MENACE, Aurora, Mo.

You will notice that this letter was dated Oct. 9th, and we have written one since, but up to this good day we have been unable to get a reply.

We have just observed from a press dispatch that the senator's daughter, Miss Fols, was recently married to Mr. George Middleton, a playwright, of New York City, and that they were married in All Soul's Unitarian church, Washington, D. C. This, together with the fact that Mr. LaFollette was educated in the university of Wisconsin, would indicate that he IS NOT a Roman Catholic, however we leave it up to some one who KNOWS to give us the answer.

ROME'S OIL AND SUGAR

Chicago, Ill., Nov. 8, 1911.
The Menace, Aurora, Mo.

Dear Sir:—The Menace to my mind is doing more for American institutions than any other publication of like character in this country. May it ever prosper, and prosper American manhood and womanhood and freedom! Time and again I have declared that if the public press, daily and weekly, of America would for a year publish what I might quote from Roman Catholicism—and I would do that without any comment whatever—that the mere revelations would so arouse the American public that within two years Roman Catholicism would become a thing of the past in this country.

The agent of the pope of Rome work their works with oil and sugar, with intimidation and threats; the first falling, the latter are put into play. Many years ago the marriage of a Protestant, Jew or one of any other religion to a Roman Catholic was rare indeed; now it is like the latest fashion; so that intermarriages are really encouraged in the hope that they may control the non-Catholic eventually, or at least gather in the children of the marriage.

Another observation: the secret fraternal societies with which America is fairly honey-combed, are worse than a viper in the eyes of Roman Catholicism; a Roman Catholic who should join one of the societies, most of which are under ban for failure to hold the pope the king—every such Catholic uniting with one of these fraternal secret societies or orders, under pain of excommunication, shall within thirty days after initiation in to such order denounce the order or society.

Yet, after all of these astounding facts, the Roman Catholics have, in the large cities at least, one or two or three Catholic members in almost all of the secret fraternal societies or orders as spies. This statement may amuse many, but I found it to be much in evidence in Chicago. This state of affairs can have no other explanation than that the object is to repress, mention or discuss of things derogatory to Roman Catholicism among the members. In one of these Catholic "condemned" fraternal secret societies—the Free Masons—I recall now a Masonic lodge in Chicago which has in its membership at least eleven prominent clergymen of various denominations.

It is a good sign of the times when the churches of all denominations in this country are becoming aroused over the menace of Romanism. Other evil deeds into nothingness when compared with the menace to America of Roman Catholicism.

Yours truly,
ELMER E. ROGERS.

A political gun-clastic conscience is the kind Rome favors.

THE POPE DID WELL

From Truth, Buffalo.
It must have come with something of a shock to Catholics of this country, as it certainly did to Protestants, to learn that the collection of church entrance fees has become so common an abuse that the pope, through his representative, Valentin, at Washington, has found it necessary to officially forbid it.

The present pope, within the course of his very simple regime, can hardly have any conception of the necessities that crowd the average tier of Christ in America. In addition to comparatively palatial homes for the housing of the clergy, is the building of churches out of all proportion to the means of the working people who attend them, thus laying the foundation of burdens which will rest on the backs of their descendants for generations to come and in the course of natural events have to be returned to them either in some great revolution that may very well get to shake the one which wiped the French throne with all its evils from the face of the world, or in the manner that is accomplishing the same work in more orderly fashion throughout all Europe.

In a government for and by the people where every effort is put forth to train the citizen to do his own thinking, such practices as the one above complained of is certain to bring religion into contempt, as well as furnish a brilliant illumination as to the causes back of the rapid spread of Socialism all over the world. The workers who are more rapidly than ever before in history becoming thinkers as well as going to realize some day that while millions of his creatures are breadless and homeless—the Almighty Ruler of this universe has through his restless agents on earth piled up unthinkable sums in land and gold and has absorbed through the same means in the state of New York alone over \$536,000,000 worth of property.

Just in proportion as these thinking workers realize this stupendous fact, just in that proportion are not only these agents but faith in the God that they so woefully misrepresent also going to suffer.

RAPS PAROCHIAL SCHOOLS

Milwaukee, Wis., Nov. 10, 1911.
The Menace, Aurora, Mo.

In regard to Roman Catholic parochial schools and colleges I wish to bring a few facts to your knowledge.

A few weeks ago a young girl, Anna Thienhaus, was arrested here and turned over to the Detention home to await trial on a charge of immorality. It appears that the girl, who is only fifteen years of age, consulted a physician, who found her afflicted with venereal sores and reported the case to the police department. At the Detention home the superintendent obtained a very full and frank confession from the girl, which for its lack of a sense of morality and decency would have made a hardened prostitute blush for shame. In her confession she named ten young men, as having been engaged with her in her criminal practices. Among these men was the husband of her elder sister, who, on the younger girl's arrest, had both fled to Michigan, where they were married and returned to this city.

The case against the girl is not decided, as the father, who has been divorced from the mother, in whose custody the girls were, pleaded with the judge of the juvenile court to permit him to place the girl in a private institution or send her to Europe, instead of some public reformatory. Now for the humorous side of this tragedy. Immediately upon publication of the facts in the case and comments in editorials and from the pulpit, a local manufacturer of Irish origin, the mouth-piece of Catholicism and self-appointed critic of public affairs and men, rushed into print with a lengthy epistle, in which he claimed and asserted that the sole cause of youthful immorality was the lack of religious teaching in our public schools and further stated that in Ireland, as in most Roman Catholic countries, due to the great influence and watchfulness of the priests and the beneficial example of the good sisters (sic) immorality was unknown and cases of illegitimate childhood never occurred. Now upon investigation and at the trial it appeared that not only were both of these girls educated in a Catholic convent, but that most of the boys were scholars of the local Marquette college, a nonsectarian (sic) institution run by Jesuits, so that these boys were daily under the influence of the good Jesuit fathers. Not being aware of the vindictiveness of the Roman hirelings, with the exception of a weekly Social-Democratic publication, which not only published these facts, but commented on them editorially.

The fact that Rome always opposes the good is proof that she is bad.

A big Catholic daily newspaper is soon to be launched in Buffalo, N. Y. And thus proceeds the well defined plan to make America Catholic.

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